



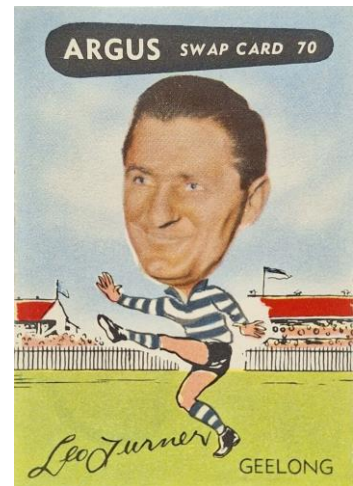
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EASTER MONDAY AFL 2024 ROUND 3 HAWTHORN V GEELONG

FATHER AND SON SPEEDSTERS

There have been several very successful father/son combinations at Geelong, the best known, of course, being Gary Ablett senior and junior. Leo and Michael Turner were also champion players, being named on the wings in the Cats' Team of the Century. Writing in the *Argus* in June 1950, Percy Taylor described Leo Turner as "one of the best wingmen in the State. He is a left-footer, and at 5ft. 11in. [180cm] is taller than most wingmen. He has lots of pace and is more a straight-ahead type of player than a twisting and turning type." Leo (pictured right) would go on to be a leading player in the Cats' 1951 and 1952 premiership teams, and would represent Victoria on 13 occasions.

Possessing electrifying speed, Leo's son Michael was a "dasher" who always took the game on, most famously in 1980 with a spectacular long run and goal which was awarded Goal of the Year. Although "Micky" was a right foot kick, he shared several of his father's attributes, including bouncing the ball with his left hand. He played 245 games with the Cats, captained the club from 1984 to 1986, and was an All-Australian in 1979. After finishing his AFL career, he was appointed captain-coach of VFA club Werribee. In 1995 he became the long-serving manager of the "League footballer factory" the Geelong Falcons which produced, among others, Gary Ablett Jnr, Jimmy Bartel, Matthew Scarlett, Patrick Dangerfield and Cameron Ling. Three of the future stars who played with the Falcons, but "got away" from Geelong, were Jonathan Brown from Port Fairy/South Warrnambool, Luke Hodge from Colac and Jordan Lewis from Warrnambool.



HAWTHORN'S MOST SUCCESSFUL NUMBER

One number has featured in all but two of the Hawks' 13 premiership teams – number 23. In 1961, John Peck was at full forward in the Hawks' first premiership side. Recruited from Canterbury Colts, he played his first game in 1954 and went on to notch a further 212 games for the club, kicking a career total of 475 goals. In 1963 he became the first Hawthorn player to lead the season's goal kickers, repeating that feat in 1964 and 1965.

When Peck left Hawthorn, Don Scott took over the number 23 guernsey in 1967. A fashion plate off the field, Scott was a rugged and fiery ruckman, and what he lacked in finesse he made up for with the ferocity of his attack on the ball. Scott played 302 games, captained the club from 1976 to 1980 and was a member of the 1971, 1976 and 1978 premiership teams.

Although Dermott Brereton wore number 47 in his first year with Hawthorn, he was switched to number 23 in his second, and went on to play a total of 189 games for the club, including premiership in 1983, 1986, 1988, 1989 and 1991.

Lance Franklin took over the number 23 jumper in 2006, and was a member of the 2008 and 2013 premiership teams. He switched to Sydney in 2014, and lined up for the Swans in number 23 against Hawthorn in that year's grand final.

Left: The *AFL Record* for Round 23, 2011, celebrated Hawthorn's prestigious number 23, and the champions who have donned it.

APRIL FOOLS DAY FOOTBALL AT THE MCG (SENIOR GAMES ONLY)

Date	Day	Rnd.	Home Team	G	B	Total	Away Team	G	B	Total	Margin	Att.
01/04/1888	Sat	n/a	Carlton	5	n/a	5	Port Melbourne	2	n/a	2	3	10-12,000
01/04/1978	Sat	1	Richmond	25	24	174	Carlton	14	13	97	77	49,511
01/04/1989	Sat	1	Melbourne	18	8	116	Fitzroy	16	15	111	5	25,792
01/04/1991	Mon	2	Richmond	17	7	109	Essendon	16	17	113	-4	31,793
01/04/1995	Sat	1	Richmond	12	18	90	Fremantle	12	13	85	5	26,219
01/04/1999	Thr	2	Kangaroos	15	16	106	Essendon	22	9	141	-35	48,383
01/04/2000	Sat	4	Hawthorn	14	6	90	Essendon	20	17	137	-47	46,889
01/04/2001	Sun	1	Melbourne	15	13	103	Richmond	20	14	134	-31	44,466
01/04/2002	Mon	1	Hawthorn	15	13	103	Melbourne	20	9	129	-26	43,484
01/04/2005	Fri	2	Essendon	17	4	106	Carlton	16	14	110	-4	56,446
01/04/2007	Sun	1	Carlton	15	25	115	Richmond	15	8	98	17	59,847
01/04/2011	Fr1	2	Richmond	13	17	95	St Kilda	14	11	95	0	41,465
01/04/2013	Mon	1	Hawthorn	12	14	86	Geelong	13	15	93	-7	76,300
01/04/2016	Fri	2	Collingwood	13	9	87	Richmond	12	14	86	1	72,761
01/04/2017	Sat	2	Hawthorn	13	11	89	Adelaide	16	17	113	24	37,420
01/04/2022	Fri	3	Melbourne	14	15	99	Essendon	10	10	70	29	44,503
01/04/2023	Sat	3	St Kilda	14	8	92	Essendon	11	8	74	18	69,225

Note: Matches played on Easter Monday are in bold type.

SOME MCG APRIL FOOLS DAY FOOTBALL MISCELLANIES

1888 – A benefit match for the English cricketer Billy Bates.

1978 – First League match at the MCG with interchange.

Richmond's score and winning margin is still a League record for April 1 on the MCG.

1995 – Fremantle Dockers' debut AFL premiership game.

2011 – Richmond and St Kilda play only April 1 draw at MCG.

2013 – Biggest ever crowd for a match on April 1 – 76,300.

2023 – Commemorated St Kilda's 150th anniversary.

EASTER MONDAY FOOTBALL AT THE MCG

The inaugural Easter Monday match at the MCG was in 1954 when Melbourne lost to Collingwood before a crowd of 45,848. Richmond's first match as an MCG tenant was against Melbourne on Easter Monday 1965. In 1982 Richmond and Essendon drew a record Easter Monday crowd of 90,564. An Easter Monday match at the MCG became a regular fixture in 1990. Since then Hawthorn has played seven "home" games in that slot, Geelong six, Essendon four, Melbourne and Carlton three, and Richmond and Collingwood two. Probably the best remembered incident from those matches is Mick McGuane's seven bounce run during the second quarter of the Magpies' match against Carlton in 1994. Taking the ball from a centre bounce, McGuane headed for the wing, cut back in at half-forward, feinted a kick to baulk a tackler and then, after a seventh bounce, slotted through a goal. It would be judged the Channel 7 Sportsworld Goal of the Year. In 2002 Melbourne kicked 10 unanswered goals from midway through the first quarter to eight minutes into the final quarter before Hawthorn booted the next nine in 27 minutes, including eight in 14 minutes. Hawthorn's Jade Rawlings kicked two goals without a centre bounce, with Melbourne's Nathan Brown being the offender. Melbourne still won by 26 points.

GEELONG VERSUS HAWTHORN ON EASTER MONDAY

The AFL decided that from 2010 onwards, Geelong and Hawthorn would begin a tradition of Easter Monday matches, the Beyond Blue Cup being presented for the first time that year. These clubs have met 10 times on Easter Monday at the MCG, and the Cats have won seven of those matches. Geelong also won the 2011 Easter Tuesday match against the Hawks. It was played on Tuesday as Easter Monday fell on ANZAC Day that year. This allowed the traditional Anzac Day match between Collingwood and Essendon to proceed. The Collingwood v Essendon match drew a crowd of 89,626, which is the largest Easter Monday match attendance since 1982. The largest attendance for the Geelong v Hawthorn Easter Monday match was 80,222 in 2014.

Of the Geelong victories the 2012 Easter Monday match was memorable. After a tight first half the Hawks established an 18-point lead at the final break. Sparked by Jimmy Bartel, the Cats then kicked 4.1 to their opponents' 0.5 to win by two points. In the Round 1, 2013 match, the Hawks led by 20 points at half time, but the Cats kicked eight goals to Hawthorn's four in the second half to run out winners by seven points. The 2016 match is best remembered for Patrick Dangerfield's 43 possessions in his first game for the Cats (18 kicks and 25 handballs), his team winning by 30 points. In 2017 Geelong 20.14 (134) beat Hawthorn 6.12 (48). Hawthorn's first Easter Monday win against Geelong came in 2015 when they kicked 17.21 (123) to Geelong's 8.13 (61). The Hawks' second win was a classic in 2018. Geelong's team featured Patrick Dangerfield, Joel Selwood and Gary Ablett in the middle for the first time. The Hawks led by 25 points early in the last quarter, before the Cats got a run on to draw level at the 26-minute mark when Brandan Parfitt goaled. Jarryd Roughead, Hawthorn's captain, kicked the winning point in the last minute. Ablett had 35 disposals, Dangerfield had 31 and Selwood 29.

EASTER MONDAY FOOTBALL AT THE MCG

Date	Rnd.	Home Team	G	B	Total	Away Team	G	B	Total	Margin	Att.
19/04/1954	1	Melbourne	9	10	64	Collingwood	15	12	102	-38	45,848
18/04/1960	1	Melbourne	14	15	99	North Melbourne	5	14	44	55	36,966
19/04/1965	1	Richmond	6	5	41	Melbourne	7	5	47	-6	36,283
15/04/1968	1	Melbourne	14	10	94	Fitzroy	12	18	90	4	25,064
07/04/1969	1	Richmond	15	21	111	Essendon	12	10	82	29	62,152
12/04/1971	2	Richmond	10	9	69	Collingwood	16	10	106	-37	82,191
03/04/1972	1	Richmond	16	9	105	Collingwood	14	17	101	4	72,659
23/04/1973	3	Melbourne	11	9	75	Carlton	11	16	82	-7	49,439
15/04/1974	2	Melbourne	11	20	86	St Kilda	14	16	100	-14	36,708
19/04/1976	3	Richmond	14	18	102	North Melbourne	12	11	83	19	41,413
11/04/1977	2	Richmond	19	6	120	Hawthorn	17	17	119	1	42,192
16/04/1979	2	Richmond	13	18	96	Carlton	23	9	147	-51	59,942
12/04/1982	3	Richmond	25	22	172	Essendon	16	14	110	62	90,564
31/03/1986	1	North Melbourne	15	11	101	Sydney	20	6	126	-25	22,579
04/04/1988	1	Richmond	16	12	108	Melbourne	23	16	154	-46	34,824
16/04/1990	3	Melbourne	18	14	122	Essendon	14	11	95	27	59,894
01/04/1991	2	Richmond	17	7	109	Essendon	16	17	113	-4	31,793
20/04/1992	5	Melbourne	14	14	98	Collingwood	19	17	131	-33	63,711
12/04/1993	3	Essendon	16	13	109	Collingwood	21	13	139	-30	87,638
04/04/1994	2	Carlton	9	12	66	Collingwood	14	16	100	-34	85,063
17/04/1995	3	Essendon	14	14	98	Melbourne	12	10	82	16	60,057
8/04/1996	2	Collingwood	27	11	173	Melbourne	11	13	79	94	53,268
31/03/1997	1	Essendon	16	10	106	Carlton	15	9	99	7	82,363
13/04/1998	3	Carlton	14	14	98	Essendon	14	15	99	-1	68,177
05/04/1999	2	Carlton	15	22	112	Collingwood	12	11	83	29	70,506
24/04/2000	7	Richmond	10	9	69	Carlton	18	12	120	-51	63,149
16/04/2001	3	Melbourne	18	16	124	Geelong	15	14	104	20	48,551
01/04/2002	1	Hawthorn	15	13	103	Melbourne	20	9	129	-26	43,484
28/03/2005	1	Collingwood	11	14	80	Western Bulldogs	16	16	112	-32	53,259
09/04/2007	2	Hawthorn	17	14	116	Melbourne	14	10	94	22	43,197
05/04/2010	2	Hawthorn	13	13	91	Geelong	14	16	100	-9	68,628
25/04/2011	5	Essendon	11	11	77	Collingwood	16	11	107	-30	89,626
09/04/2012	2	Geelong	14	8	92	Hawthorn	13	12	90	2	69,231
01/04/2013	1	Hawthorn	12	14	86	Geelong	13	15	93	-7	76,300
21/04/2014	5	Geelong	15	16	106	Hawthorn	12	15	87	19	80,222
06/04/2015	1	Hawthorn	17	21	123	Geelong	8	13	61	62	73,584
28/03/2016	1	Geelong	18	8	116	Hawthorn	12	14	86	30	74,218
17/04/2017	4	Hawthorn	6	12	48	Geelong	20	14	134	-86	62,360
02/04/2018	2	Geelong	18	9	117	Hawthorn	17	16	118	-1	73,189
22/04/2019	5	Hawthorn	13	12	90	Geelong	17	11	113	-23	66,347
05/04/2021	3	Geelong	10	9	69	Hawthorn	9	10	64	5	50,030
18/04/2022	5	Hawthorn	14	8	92	Geelong	11	14	80	12	48,030
10/04/2023	4	Geelong	19	13	127	Hawthorn	6	9	45	82	65,335

EARLY DAYS

A 1923 *Football Record* told us of a boundary umpire's feelings about his job: "Billy Davies, one of the boundary umpires when speaking on the question of an increase in the fees allowed to them, said he considered the work of a boundary umpire was a good deal harder than that of a ruck man, with the exception that he did not receive such a severe buffeting as the player, but how many will he get to agree with that opinion."

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THIS ROUND IN HISTORY – ROUND 3 ON THE MCG

The biggest Round 3 winner on the MCG is North Melbourne by 127 points in 1994 when the Kangaroos 25.23 (173) defeated Hawthorn 6.10 (46). The highest score in all Round 3 matches on the MCG was registered by Richmond 31.25 (211) in 1985 against St Kilda. The best score in a quarter was also recorded in this game when Richmond kicked 9.7 (61) during the third quarter. In Round 3 there have been seven drawn games, two of which have been at the MCG. The last draw at the MCG in Round 3 was in 1980 when Richmond 18.20 (128) drew with St Kilda 19.14 (128). The most goals kicked by an individual in Round 3 on the MCG is 13 by Essendon's Matthew Lloyd in 1999 against Sydney. The top attendance for a Round 3 game is 90,564 for a Richmond-Essendon game at the MCG in 1982.

STATISTICS FOR HAWTHORN V GEELONG

Hawthorn v Geelong by venue

	Won by Hawthorn	Won by Geelong	Drawn
Corio Oval	1	12	0
Docklands	3	4	0
Glenferrie Oval	18	16	0
Kardinia Park	16	32	1
MCG	13	22	0
Princes Park	11	3	0
Waverley Park	13	4	0
York Park	1	0	0
	76	93	1

Highest Score

Hawthorn	35.15 (225)	Rd 21	1986	PP
Geelong	25.13 (163)	Rd 6	1989	PP

Lowest Score

Hawthorn	3.6 (24)	Rd 9	1933	Corio
Geelong	5.10 (40)	Rd 8	1975	Wav

Greatest Winning Margin

Hawthorn	135 points	Rd 21	1986	PP
Geelong	109 points	Rd 9	1933	Corio

Last Time They Met – Round 4, 2023, MCG

	Geelong	Hawthorn
Quarter time	3.2	3.3
Half time	4.3	5.6
Three-quarter time	14.8	5.6
Full time	19.13 (127)	6.9 (45)

Most Goals in a Match (10 goals or more)

12	Jason Dunstall	Haw	Rd 1	1990	Wav
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10	Wally Culpitt	Haw	Rd 3	1944	GO
10	Lindsay White	Geel	Rd 1	1950	GO

FOOTY'S LARGEST EVER THUMPING

On July 23, 1983, the Geelong West under 18 team travelled to Williamstown to play the locals in the VFA Division One Thirds competition. Although the Geelong West senior side was very competitive (at this stage of the season it was ranked third on the Division One table), the club had found it hard to recruit junior players owing to fortnightly travel to play matches in Melbourne, sometimes as far away as the metropolis' eastern suburbs or on the Mornington Peninsula. The eligibility qualification to play in VFA thirds had changed from being an under 19 competition to under 18s for the 1983 season making recruiting even harder, as all players were unlicensed to drive and had to rely on others or public transport just to get to matches. This was not helped by the Roosters' thirds playing away when its seniors were at home and vice versa. It forfeited two games early in the 1983 season due to a lack of players and they rarely got any more than fifteen players to attend training. This led to very weak and demoralised sides, and in Round 13 Geelong West's thirds conceded 88.23 (551) at Coburg.

In Round 14 the Roosters were scheduled to play Williamstown at its notoriously blustery home ground on a point jutting into Hobsons Bay. Only 12 Roosters took the field against Williamstown's full complement of 16 on the ground, with a 17th player on the interchange bench. By half time the Seagulls were leading 44.17 (281) to Geelong West's solitary first quarter goal. The game had no prospect of getting any better for the Roosters as four of their players also suffered injuries during the first half. Williamstown's Stephen Cooke, who booted a staggering 46 goals from 54 scoring shots and took 30 marks for the match, was later quoted in the *Geelong Advertiser* that the Geelong West side, "had to be coaxed out at half time."

At full time the score-line read **Williamstown 110.27 (687) to Geelong West 2.0 (12)**. This was the highest ever score in Australian football across all grades, and the 675-point margin was also the greatest ever. With quarters being 25 minutes plus time on (one may estimate each quarter running around 35 minutes), Williamstown would have to have goaled within every one-and-a-half minutes. All Williamstown players kicked at least one goal, and four players in Cooke (46), Phillip Brook (12), G. Bunting (10), and S. Lucas (10), each booted double figures for the game. After such great beltings at the hands of Coburg and Williamstown amongst others, Geelong West withdrew its thirds for the remainder of the 1983 season.

Due to the vast differences in standard between teams, the VFA Thirds rankings were unshackled from the performances of their senior clubs in 1984 and 1985. Yet, Geelong West's junior program continued to suffer. The thirds finished 3rd last of 23 teams in 1984, and was winless throughout 1985, 1986, and 1987. In 1988 the boys finished 3rd last in the Division Two Thirds competition with six wins and 12 losses. Geelong West as a club would leave the Association after that season.

